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FOR THE STATE OF WEST VA

The Intelligencer's Suggestion Meets with General Favor.

Some of the Objections to the Change and the Reasons Therefor.

VARIOUS NAMES SUGGESTED

By Several Correspondents and by Newspapers of the State.

A Sentiment that the State Should Have a Name Distinctively Its Own-The Inconvenience of the Present

Term—A Few of the Many
Expressions.

The proposed rechristening of West Virginia attracts general attention at home and abroad. From what has already been published in the INTELLIGNMENT of the will not be forgotten as long as liberty has a votary, and constitutional government a defended attention at the cause which a stready been published in the INTELLIGNMENT of the woters so will it, let it be baptized Mononga-hela, a name unique, full of history and full of loftiest poetry, after the river whose source and flow connect two of the richest States of the American Union.

Persons of my age are leth to give up

Those who like the idea of a change of name but object to Kanawha are genconjusion in the mail service growing out of the abbreviation. It is taken for granted that the abbreviation will be confounded with Kan., which stands for Kansas. But suppose the abbrevia-tion were Kha., Kna., or merely K.? Mo. stands for Missouri, Miss. for Mississipi; O. for Ohio. N. Y. and N. J., standing for two neighboring States,

Augusta is a suggestion from more though it does not so well fill the bill as sweet and significant Kanawha. Let the people continue to express them-

SENATOR SHERMAN'S OPINION.

and have already noticed the discussion in the papers in respect to the change me of your State. I am clearly of the opinion that the name of Kana-wha or any name specially identified with your geography or history would be more convenient than West Virginia. inia is a beautiful name, honored a long and worthy history, but, ly, a new State with marked natural surely, a new State with marked material productions ought to have a distinct name. The same course should be pursued in respect to the Carolinas.

Very truly yours,

John Sherman.

United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

Six:-I have received your paper advocating the change of the name of West

Vocaning the change of the hame of vector Virginia to "Kanawha," and in reply to your inquiry as to my views on the sub-ject, I would say that the disadvantages of having two Virginias are obvious, and in selecting a new name the wishes of the people of the State should certainly the sensition." seem to me so euphonious as some other names, but if for historic or other reasons the people of the State prefer it, I see no reason why they should not be gratified. Yours very truly,

C. A. BOUTELLE.

SUGGESTS "AUGUSTA."

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.
Sin:—Permit the suggestion of a name Six:—Permit the suggestion of a name for our State, which, in the event of a change, might fill the blank acceptably—Id est, "Augusta." • Many reasons might be adduced in favor of the selection apart from its euphony. It is a derivation denoting eminence, greatness, &c., &c. During revolutionary times this section of the Old Colony of Virginia was known as "West Augusta," in contradistanction to the eastern portion, recognized as East Augusta, hence preserving its Patronymic. Wheeling, W. Va. Wheeling, W. Va.

OPPOSED TO IT

To the Editor to the Intelligencer.
Sin:—I am opposed to it. Half the State's mail would go to Kansas, under the abbreviation of Kan. for Kanawha, upon'the envelope addressed to the State. The appellation is given an unknown bot-

and subordinates a whole common-wealth to its selfish interests. I am solid for Art. 1, Sec. 1 of Constitution.

Yours Truly,
Philippi, W. Va.

J. Hor Woons.

number of ways the change of name save confusion in the minds of many persons all over the country. I have gested when the state was not been amazed in my travels and correspondence at the frightful ignorance disspondence at the frightful ignorance disspondence at the frightful ignorance disspondence at the frightful ignorance disspending and all orthodox them.

evitable confusion arising from having a Charleston and a Charlestown both in

me State. Very truly yours, A. B. White. Parkersburg, W. Va. PREFERS "WEST AUGUSTA."

PREFERS THE OLD WAY.

Persons of my age are loth to give up the works and labors of the days gone dissent from the Intelligences on the first proposition do so mainly because of their foundness for the beautiful name virginia and its associations. They who hold to the old prefer it notwithstanding its weakly imitative character and the

State, sprang out of the brains of men state, sprang out of the brains of men "in the midst of arms." It seems to me they did their works well, and that they should be let alone.

William E. Arnold.

Weston, W. Va.

HE IS CONTENT.

To the Editor of the Intell standing for two neighboring States, are not so unlike as Kan. and Kba. Then we have Col. for Colorado and Cal. for California, a much finer opportunity for a bad mix. This seeming difficulty is easily smoothed away.

Augusta is a suggestion from more Virginian until the separation of the State. Colonel John Stuart, who has State. Colonel John Stuart, who has left his impress upon this part of the State, was a Virginian; and so was that great patriot Colonel Charles Lewis, who fell at the battle of Point Pleasant. General Washington, the Lees, Jefferson, Madison and Stonewall Jackson, together with Benjatain Harrison and General William Henry Harrison, were all Virginians. And with these illustrious names before me, how could I ever consent to be called else than a West Virginian?

I am sorry to differ from you on any subject; but on this we are as wide apart as the poles.

rt as the poles.
I am, very respectfully yours,
J. W. Davis.

Lewisburg, W. Va. to the Editor of the Intelligencer

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sis:—As a change of name has been suggested for West Virginia, it may not be inappropriate to give a brief synopsis of its birth. It was in '01, and there were perhaps 5,000 persons present on this memorable occasion of hoising the flag over the custom house; it was then Washington Hall. The address was given by ex-Minister Judge Bingham, of Ohio, and during the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner by a quartet of splendid vocalists, the flag rose slowly up the staff and her bright colors wafted to the breeze. The vast throng stood motionself—that the gas basement had can be revered that the disadvantages on the disadvantages or other that the disadvantages or other with one accord rent the disadvantage to me, while that the disadvantages and then with one accord rent the disadvantage to me, while that the disadvantages are obvious, and we mane the wishes of exact should certainly. The proposed motion gests that the name of this State be found it a disadvantage to me, while traveling, that I am a West Virginian. Less than a month ago I heard a compliant the disadvantage to me, while that the gas basement had can able to ignite. On the first broke out and when the discovering. Plaquemine was not slumbering when able to ignite. On the first broke out and when the discovering that I am a West Virginian. Less than a month ago I heard a compliant the color of the fatter, last Saturday evening that the entire town flocked to the river bank and watched the veste burn river bank and watched the veste burn and the people must move with her, or move that the entire town flocked to the river bank and watched the veste burn and the people must move with the contrary. It was ship that the gas basement had can able to ignite. On the first broke out and when the discovering was made that the Hanna was burn deed peculiar. It was by a man who of the fatter, last Saturday evening that the one are withing the contrary. It was that the gas and then with one accord rent the classed on the river broke out and when the discovering. The strength of the first of the private of the pr breeze. The vast throng stood motion-less, and then with one accord rent the

Congress to the naming of States and the desirability of getting good names may save us from North and South Dakota, the State of Washington, South California and New Mexico. They are all bad and without excuse. If the inhabitants of these Territories show a want of judgment in such a matter, Congress should improve upon their proposals by affixing names of the new States which their descendents will approve it they do not, and which all the rest of the country will prefer. The pioneers in the Territories are made of sturdy stuff, but in matters of taste their judgment is not always final. Tacoma is obviously a better name for Washington Territory than a duplication of the name of the National capital. Pembina, too, is far ahead of North

some euphonions, appropriate, native MHE FAME OF THE STATE

We object to the name Kanawha, for PREFERS "WEST AUGUSTA."

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sire.—By all means let us have a change in the name of the State. Your average Virginian also West Virginian is virtually a Bourbon and sticks to old things as well as to the traditions of the old families. He will never consent to your proposed change to "Kannwha;" certainly not to "Allegheny." The later is too near akin to Pittsburgh. I therefore suggest "West Augusta"—the original name of this part of "Old Virginian," This name will not alront the "sacred recollections of the past." C. Parkersburg, W. Ve.

PREFERS THE OLD WAY.

We object to the name Kannwha, nor a long persons; first, this name for a long period has been used to designate a section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the olde of that section slying along those two rivers and would have a tendency in the minds of many to dwarf the size of our State. Second, we want a name that one be abbreviated so us to be clearly distinguished by two, or three letters at will make it too much like Kansas, the original name of the State, and to everybody it would bing the olde of that section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the olde of that section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the old of that section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the of the section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the of the section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the of a long period has been used to designate a cection of the State, and to everybody it would bing the of a long period has been used to designate a cection of the State, and to everybody it would bing the would have a tendency in the minds of many to dwarf the size of our State. Second, we want a name that one between the would be the section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the would have a tendency in the would have a tendency in the would bing along the section of the State, and to everybody it would bing the would have a tendency in the would have a tendency in the would be

A Change Desired.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer:

Sin:—Why change the name of West Virginia to Kanawha? Hgs it come to this, that the brave men who named it, after much thought, are to be forgotten, and their deeds go for naught? The State of Virginia, from which West Virginia was taken, gave birth to a Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe men who assisted in giving to the new world a government founded on the intelligence and virtue of the people, with the state of the people outside of the State. telligence and virtue of the people, with powers and limitations, if adhered to that will last to the thousandth generation.

The Wheeling Intelligencer wants the State called Kanawha. Allegheny has also been mentioned as a name peculiarly applicable. Now while we think that the present name is sufficiently applicable. The greatest works for which our country should be proud (the Declaration of the United States, the Virginia Bill of moved' by an apprehension of Rights and the statute of religious free den) like the name of the State changed we would suggest "Element of the United States, the Virginia Bill of and a good sounding one. What do you think of it?

The Wheeling Intelligencer has an admirable idea. It suggests that West Virginia shall change its name to Ka-nawha. Good luck to the Intelligences in

Good lick to the INTELLIGENCER in its crusade against the compass as part. of State names. America is too rich in Indian words to endure much longer "Notth" and "South" or "East," and "West," as adjectives standing before

Kanawha Fills the Bill.

Weaton Republican.

We are, and always have been in favor of changing the name of West Virginia to Kanawha or some other appropriate name. In fact no sensible reason can be assigned why this should not be done. Any name that is calculated to cause confusion in the postal service should not be continued. Doubtless there are just as many to whom the name Kanawha will sound quite as euphonious.

HE VALUE OF A GOOD NAME.

Must Keep up with the Procession.

Harper's Ferry Scatisci.

The Wheeling INTELLIGENCER suggests that the name of this State be changed to Kanawha.

Well, call her what you please, she's bell, State were on her and

CINCINNATI O. Dec. 25 .- A shooting match took place here to-day between

now bears. The total proposed in this view of the matter. Kanawha is in every way a better name than West Virginia and it is to be hoped that success will attend the efforts of the Intrillements in agitating for a change. The name proposed was suggested when the State was formed, but for some inexplicable reason was not adopted.

What a West Virginian Encountered on the Pacific Coast.

THE VALUE OF A GOOD NAME

Forcibly Illustrated $-\Lambda$ Disguster Real Estate Agent who Thought

FRESNO, CAL., Dec. 8.—A few days crats.
ago I walked into an hotel in Sacra-

it is merely western Yirama, just as the north of England and the castern change the tickets after they are placed shore of Maryland are spoken of as look in the ballot box, so as to foot up a sport of the provisions. As to the sport of the provisions as to the provisions as to the provisions as the provisions as the provision of the provisions are the provisions as the provision of the provision and the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision as the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision and the provision are the provision are the provision are the provision are the provision and the provision are the provisi Democratic insjority, notwithstanding interests.

the fact that a majority of the votes were cast for the Republicans?"

I answered that I did not think any such custom obtained in West Virginia, for at that time I had not read the late INTELLIGENCERS giving the proceedings of the recount.

VINDICATING THE STATE. "What does this mean, then ? "What does this mean, then?" he asked, at the same time producing a San Francisco paper and pointing out dispatches that stated how in Wetzel county the Clerk had thrown the ballots into a closet and had left the window open, and some one had gone in and scratched off about twenty names of Republicans and substituted those of Democrats. The same process had been resorted to in Kanawha, with about the same result.

feated Democrats?"
It was now my duty to say what could to vindicate my native State, and I did so the best I could. I said that, while these individual cases might be while these individual cases might be true, yet, as a general thing, the people of West Virginia, regardless of politics, would show no countenance to an outrage like that. I was even inclined to believe that there was a mistake in these cases, for I knew only four men in West Virginia who would be mean enough to do a thing like that, and none of these four lived in Wetzel or Kanawha; therefore there must be some mistake.

States.

Keep it up, Mr. INTELLIGENCER; the country is with you, and State pride in being an independent unit in name as in power should help you.

A HOPELESS TASK.

Since returning to this place I have received the Wheeling papers, and find that I had been defending a hopeless when I took it upon myself to cause when I took it upon myself to clear West Virginia's name of this charge. But, for all that, I did not re-The INTELLIGENCER has revived the charge. But, for all that, I did not re-proposal to make the name of this State gret that I had tried to do so; for I take kanawha. We have always been in pride in my State, and am never silent layor of it. There should never be two when her good name is assailed. In The INTELLEGENCE Has revived the proposal to make the name of this State kanawha. We have always been in favor of it. There should never be two States with names even in partidentical. And no name of a State should have any prefix indicating geographical direction. State names should know no north, no south, no east nor west. They should be as short as possible, easy to pronounce and difficult to mispronounce and difficult to mispronounce and misspell. Kanawha fills the bill. Let us have it, the Register to the contrary notwithstanding.

In Favor of It.

Weeton Republican.

THE VALUE OF A GOOD NAME.

Virginia may not realize the value of the State's reputation abroad. I have never

E. Poole, of Chicago, Herbert B. Adams, of Baltimore, Clarence W. Bowen, of Brooklyn, and their associates and successors the American Historical Association. Its office shall be in Washington, where it may hold \$500,000 worth of property for the purposes of the Association. Its meetings may be held wherever the incorporators may determine. me to induce acquaintances of mine in the East to come and buy his land, and

They Dance Around a Tage Decorated
with a Red Flag.

Enjoyed Christmas at Liberty.

CHATTANOGGA, TENN., Dec. 25.—Fourteen prisoners escaped from the Hamilton county jail at 2 o'clock this morning by cutting off six iron rods an inch
in diameter and sliding down a rope
made of blankets to the ground. Officers have been searching the country in
all directions, but none of the fugitives
have been recovered.

Train Held Up by Bobbers.

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—A dispatch
received here this morning says the

A Fatal Piece of Meat.

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PREPARING TO FIGHT.

udge Fleming's Notice of Contest on Gen-eral Goff Completed. CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 25.—It is

stated that the notice of contest by Judge Fleming has been completed, and will be served on General Goff at an early day. DO The Republicans, who have been awaiting the action of the Democrats for som ing the action of the Democrats for some time, will now take steps to meet the allegations in the notice and present some of the frauds and illegal votes of the Democratic stander. They do not expect to cover the whole ground, as the time is too short for such an onerous task. Enough will be presented to show that illegal voting is not confined to charges by the Democratic is not confined to charges by the Deme

It is expected that there will be a ger The sexpected that there will be a general conference of Republican managers of an early day, when a plan of action will be adopted, and pushed with vigor, and an anyproached me and said:

"Beg your pardon, sir, but are you the gentleman who just now registered from West Virginia?"

I answered in the affirmative, and he continued: "What sort of a way do you people have there of carrying on your cleanges the tickets after they are placed that there will be a gentral conference of Republican managers at an early day, when a plan of action will be adopted, and pushed with vigor. Republicans ought to be impressed with the idea that this is a matter that is more far-reaching than the mere question of the future, and will have a marked effect in future campaigns and elections. Democrats understand this, and excel them in their efforts.

The political complexion of the Legislature is still uncertain, according to re-With a Result as Terrible as the

interests. Indications point to the can-didacy of several Democrats for the Though not now an open candidate, there may a contingency arise that will make ex-Senator Davis a prom-inent and dangerous candidate. Such

opposition.
Later developments point to a state of affairs during the session even more complicated than promised at an earlier day.

RUSSELL HARRISON IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 25.—Russell Harrison, son of President Harrison, who has been in New York for the past few days, came over to Philadelphia When I had read the articles, the genthem as said: "Do you think that is and spent the day here. He was met at them as said: "Do you think that is and spent the day here. He was met at the persons on board and that only about true? Would such a procedure be tolerated in West Virginia, even by decreased Rrand street to the store of them is a same of the store of them is a same as a same of the store of the store of the store of the store of them is a same of the store and spent the day here. He was met at Broad Street Station by Hamilton Diss-ton, whose guest he was, and the two at once crossed Broad street to the store of John Wanamaker. They made their way to the private office of the man who booked by the new Presi deat for Postmaster General, and enter ing the outer room were met by Mr Wanamaker's private secretary, Mr.

The latter at once conducted them The latter at once conducted them into Mr. Wanamaker's presence, where they were greeted heartily by that gentleman. Mr. Disston, after spending a few minutes in pleasant conversation, withdrew, with the understanding that he should after Mr. Harrison later and take him to his house for dinner.

Young Mr. Harrison and Mr. Wanamaker remained together for over an hour.

will be appointed to the position of Postmaster General by the incoming President. If there was any doubt be-

General remaining as devoted to work in his library. This week, or at least a portion, will be devoted to outlining his inaugural address. There were but few callers to-day and they were all friends from this city. The General does not took for any of the distinguished leaders of his party here during the week, though some may put in an appearance. He really expects to accomplish a good. He really expects to accomplish a good. of his party here during the week, though some may put in an appearance. He really expects to accomplish a good deal of work this week in the way of preparing for actively assuming his duties next March.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE. Israel Hawkins Shot by His Cousin, Mil

LIBERTY, IND., Dec. 25 .- Israel Haw-

CHICAGO, Dec. 25,—A Christmas tree he would pay an all told a thousand lies about the excellencies of his lands, which according to his story, were terror terrestrial paradises. But I happened to have been on the lands myself a few years ago, and a more doleful and hopeforsaken region it has seldom fallen to the lot of mortal to look upon.

A DISCUSTED NATIVE.

surmounted by a red flag several yards surmounted by a red flag several yards and surmounted by a red flag several yards and surmounted by a red flag several yards are discovered in the centre around which can be a present of Anarchists and Socialists with their scarlet decorated wives and children. Gifts from the tree were distributed to the youngsters in the regulation Christwas fashion. Then came a speech from There were about three houses in forty Paul Grotkau, whom the Supreme Court

of taste their judgment is not always final. Tasoma is obviously a better name for Washington Territory than a duplication of the name of the National capital. Pembina, too, is far ahead of North Dakota, while we want no State of New Mexico, even when that Territory acquires an American instead of a Mexican population.

Kanawha a Better Name.

Cleveland, O., Leuder.

The Wheeling INTELLIOENCER suggests that West Virginia be rechristened Kanawha. It says that every State should have a distinct name, a euphonious name, and one taken, if possible, from some of its own distinctive leatures, and if feasible, one which preserves he. The last man he struck, Edward and if feasible, one which preserves he. The last man he struck, Edward and if feasible, one which preserves he. The last man he struck, Edward and if feasible, one which preserves he. The last man he struck, Edward and if feasible, one which preserves and three to-day hetween for the succession forty miles, and these made of mud. About the Supreme Court of Wisconsin has just decided still owes a partled and famished oak tree, ten or twelve feet to dustern the Supreme Court of Wisconsin has just decided still owes a partled and famished oak tree, ten or twelve feet to the State success to the State Panitentiary several months are the State success the State Panitentiary several months are the State success the State Panitentiary several months are the Supreme Court of Wisconsin has just decided still owes a partled and famished oak tree, ten or twelve feet to deside the states and the states An Echo of the Columbus Centenulal.

NOT COME SINGLY

Two More Steamboat Disasters With Frightful Loss of Life.

A Horrible Christmas Morning for Upwards of 30 Victims.

STEAMER HANNA BURNED

Kate Adams Catastrophe. Members of the Crew and Passenger Periah in the Flames-The Burning

of a Steamer on the Pacific

Coast-Several Other Fires.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.-A special from Plaquemine to the States says: The burning of the steamer John S. Hanna, last night, was one of the most terrible river disasters that has ever happened in Southern waters. The loss of life is very heavy. About thirty persons perished in the flames, and a large number jumped overboard and were Among the lost Capt. J. S. Holmes and the first have been recovered. Captain Holmes' body was terribly burned. Bith Smith the old pilot of the J. M. White, was passenger on the John S. Hanna, and was burned to death. His body has also been recovered. One of the deck hands who escaped says there were about 100 persons on board and that only about a

THE TERRIBLE DETAILS. was coming down the river. Several of the passengers were seated in the cabin having a merry time, and with no thought of an impending catastrophe. Many of the crew and passengers were asleep when a fire broke out and several with indescribable rapidity. The any moment. was coming down the river. Several of a the passengers were seated in the cabin spread with indescribable rapidity. The any moment.

The fire started about 10 p. m. in the details of the sufferings and death of The visit of the President's son to Mr. Wanamaker is regarded as evidence consome of the passengers are harrowing in clusive that the Philadelphia merchant will be appointed to the position of Postmaster General by the incoming above the town when a negro roustabout was estimated that seven acres had been was estimated that seven acres had been above the town when a negro roustabout point which was but a short distance above the town when a negro roustabout

President. If there was any doubt before about the matter among local political people it was dispelled when it became known that young Mr. Harrison had been in town, and that the first man he had called upon was Mr. Wanaker.

The President Elect's Christmas.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—Quiet has General remaining at home all day, The first half of it was devoted to work which is a second or secon

As the burning boat struck the bank of the river the crew and passengers who had been able to reach the forward end with scorched faces and bruised limbs and many of them with scarcely any

meant it be one of those sweet Indian in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with she had the name of this State changed to Rushington, and the property burned was a connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with which she is connected in listory, and in the marvelous romance with skinds and not lead the property burned was a stocked, and been in the eightburhoad some four weeks, visiting annual mark she who seeds of the withing the listory and the property burned was a stocked, and the city of stocked, and the city of stocked, and of the was the strong in the state of an outper labely and the property burned to death and there are connected in listory and the property burned was a stocked, the withing which cannot rever the shore were taken care of and doctors. Hawkins and Mrs. Bainbridge down. A scream from the dark in the city of the time in the eightburhoad was a stocked, which will be made to their suiters were also destroyed. The list for the dark in the city of the mark in the property burned to the time and ward for so it left far before the shore were takes, at the same plant of the time in the eighburhoad was and provided some burned to death and went down with the steamer. No attempt was made to save any of the steamer's books or pa-pers and everything, together with the clothes of the crew and passengers, was lost. The boat burned rapidly after she reached the bank, and in a very short time after the alarm was given she had burned to the water's edge. The hull sank and nothing was left of the Hanna but floating timber and burning cotton.

PARTIAL LIST OF THE LOST. Among those of the crew killed and

missing are: Captain J. S. Holmes, master of the

SAMUEL POWELL, chief clerk. Bon SMITH, pilot, from Smithland, La. MIKE O'NELL, night watchman. Joseph Chane, cabin watchman.

spondence at the frightful ignorance displayed by really intelligent people in regard to politics or other information concerning this State. They all seem to concerning this State. They all seem to regard us as a part of old Virginia. San Fancisco, Dec. 25.—A dispatch importance, unless it also affects immigration to our State, To my mind, it may have some influence in rame of our State capital to "Carrage and thus prevent the annoying and in- and thus prevent the annoying and in-

clothing clogged bis every movement.
The impression now is that the number of lives lost will not exceed thirty.

LATER—The Picayune's Plaquemin special places the number known to be lost by the Hanna disaster as five whites

ANOTHER MARINE DISASTER. A Steamer Burns to the Water's Edge-Ter-

SEATTLE, W. T., Dec. 25 .- The steame Leif Erricksen was burned to the water's edge at 5 o'clock yesterday evening, off edge at 5 o'clock yesterday evening, off
Alki Point, five miles west of this city.
Five lives were lost, perhaps seven.
The fire broke out in the pifot house
and it is believed to have been caused
by a lamp explosion. Another theory
is that a demijohn in the pilot house
was broken, and the whisky ran through
to the boiler and ignited. There were
thirty-six people aboard at the time.
The fire spread instantly throughout
the interior cabin. The boat was about
two miles from the shore. Capt. John
H. Nibbe, the owner of the boat, was in
command. He left the wheel house for
the purpose of launching a life raft, but the purpose of launching a life raft, but found the passengers trying to put the raft overboard.

raft overboard.

In the struggle to rescue the raft from the passengers Capt. Nibbe fell overboard with the raft. In the meantime the passengers were putting on life preservers and seizing firewood, or anything else that would float, and jumped overboard. Capt. Nibbe saw his niece, Miss Annie Tollner, struggling in the water about 150 feet from him, and he did his utmost to push the raft toward her, but she drowned in less than 100 feet away from him. He was hampered with gum boots and almost helpless.

with gum boots and almost helpless.
The list of lost is as follows:
MISS ANNIE TOLLNER,
J. N. NCREOUS.

J. N. N. REBUES.

JACK SIMMONS.

T. SMITH, and a man and his wife whose name could not be ascertained. The survivors also report another woman as being lost. The steamer was burned to the water's edge and has no doubt sunk

Marblehend, Massachusetts, Threatened

MARILEURAD, MASS., Dec. 26.-1 a n.—Marblehead is on fire for the second ime in her history. Help has been sent from Salem, Lynn and other places. The entire business portion is in ruins and the following firms are burned out: Cropeley & Bros., E. S. Woodbury, Horner, J. C. Beach, for Over Thirty People.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 25.—It was Edward Hathaway, Joshua Lefavur, just before Christmas day was being also the Boston & Maine depot and sevushered in that the fine steamer Hanna eral other buildings. The fire started in

he and the stokers and others ran to the sides of the boat and rushed through turned into a surging mass, seeking some way to combat what did promise to be a conflagration such as Cumberland had never seen before. The natural situation burning several others must also neces sarily be destroyed. The flames were con fined as yet to the one building and the contents of other houses that could not be saved were carried out. Five houses had been able to reach the forward end of the boat sprang ashore, some of them with scorched faces and bruised limbs and many of them with scarcely any covering.

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Cumberland surely learned a lesson last night and a dear one, too. There has never been any organized way to control a fire and only by the superhuman effort of the citizens were several buildings saved. The large warehouse of Porter & Co., the brick dwelling of B. F. Shaw, the store and dwelling of D. Wood, the dwelling of Prince MeNeil, the large house owned by Lloyd Campbell, were all on fire numerous times, but the flames were always met by determined men who fought them, as though they were trained firemen. It is a miracle that any of the whole square was saved at all. The loss will approximate \$12,000 at all. The loss will approximate \$12,000 to \$15,000, with about \$10,000 or \$12,000

insurance.
W. A. Scott loses his drug store buildw. A. Scott loses in straig slove building and stock of drugs and jewelry, two dwellings, an ice house and stable. John Swann's barber shop, B. W. Chapman's two shops and stable were burned.

GREAT FIRE AT CINCINNATI.

Three Hundred Thousand Dollars Worth of Preperty Destroyed in a Short Time.
CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 25.—There was a great fire in Cincinnata to-day. It began at 8:30 p. m. and burned to ashes factories and dwellings covering three acres of ground. At the corner of Budd and Harriet streets, in the rope works Yours Truly,

J. Hor Woods.

Fall Wheeling Intelligence.

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Clearmon Fount Horner, aged 20, bear a jack rabbit moving along the horizon, so famished that its legs looked as long as broom handles.

Sin:—If it would be proper for a "car pet bagger" to express an opinion on so delicate a question as the proposition to delicate a questio TERRIBLE SCENES. was doomed to destruction, and the Queen City Twine Company's factory, Milersburg, O., Dec. 25.—The managers of the late Centennial at Columbus
are sending out circulars to successful
exhibitors, asking them to accept fortyfive per cent of their premiums as payment in full. The proposition has been
rejected by exhibitors from this county.

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stern was a roaring mass of flames and
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to the same street worth \$8,000 was burned.

A TALL WHITE GHOST

That Has Been Guarding Buried Treasure for 100 Years.

EXPERIENCE OF YOUNG MEN

Who Followed the Directions of Sally Snover, a Fortune Teller of Stagg Pond, N. J., and Went

New York, Dec. 25 .- A ghost with a long white beard and a stride like Tom Ochiltree is guarding a kettle of gold in

in Search of a Fortune

Stagg Pond, N. J. A few days ago John Lytle and Henry Bross dropped in on old, wrinkled Sally Snover to have their fortunes told. For years she has been predicting that all the pretty girls of Stagg Pond would marry rich young men, who were com ing "across water" (not an unnatural thing for Stagg Pond young men to do), and every young man would wed lovely ladies, who were coming over land. The

ladies, who were coming over land. The two young men were told by Sally that they would soon be the husbands of princesses, "but," said Sally the wise, "your fortunes are already made."

She told them that \$50,000 in gold was buried in a kettle at Stagg Pond 100 years ago. She located the spot for them and told them how they should procure the fortune. She also informed them that they must first get a pure white dog, and that one of them must take the dog in his arms and jump twice over the spot where the gold was buried. Then they were to dig down three feet and then slit the dog's throat and let the animal's blood moisten the soil in the newly-made hole. They were them to dig down three feet farther, when they would strike the kettle containing the yould strike the kettle containing the 50,000 in gold. Sallie does not deal in

young Mr. Bross and Mr. Lytle, Young Mr. Bross and Mr. Lytle, whose heads were nearly turned by the revelations made by the fortune teller, proceeded to their homes' agreeing to keep the matter a secret until they should get the liold. At the appointed time on the night the two young men proceeded to the spot where Sallie Snover told them to hunt for the fortune. The young men, who were armed with spades and a pickax, had a white dog. They began operations. Bross, with a white canine in his arms, jumped twice over the spot and then tied the dog to a tree. The fortune hunters then began tree. The fortune hunters then began to dig, and after they had dug up about three feet of earth, and were in the act of entting the dog's throat, according to the two treasure hunters, a tall, white ghost, with a long beard, suddenly made its appearance.

They claim that the ghostly visitor cried in harsh tones, "Stop! this treasure is mine. I have guarded it for more than a hundred years."

a hundred years."
Picture the seene if you can. There
they were on a midnight, dreary, weak
and weary (from the digging) and a tall,
white bearied ghost their unbidden
guest. To be sure, they knew perfectly well that phosts always are loating around Captain Kidd treasures at Christmas time, but this ghost was, indeed, a sin-gular one. The winter wind sang to Kris Kringle in the trees. Stagg Pond Kris Kringle in the trees. Stagg Pond itself was frozen over, and yet this aged ghost didn't wear even a necktie. He again remarked in his polite other world way that he was guarding the treasure. It is not recorded that he shook a flesh-less finger or stamped with a bony leg, but the fortune hunters vouch for the fact that they ran away for their dear lives, leaving the white dog tied to the tree.

men have been kept busy telling their experience with Sallie Snover and the ghost. Bross and Lytle both say they have no intention of making further effort to recover the \$50,060 in gold, and none of the residents can be induced to none of the residents can be indeed with the spot at night to determine whether his ghostship is still guarding the treasure.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—The Chancellor's illness, which has given rise to alarmist French newspapers, does not hinder his work. He has wired his congratulations to Lord Salisbury, regarding the English victory in Snakim. Prince Bismarck British ambassador at St. Petersburg, to nearly all the property burned was authorize an official contradiction of the theirs. charges recently made by Gazette of his having h Two small buildings belonging to B. Gazette of his having had German W. Chapman were also destroyed, leaning and of having while at Cumberland surely learned a lesson last Darmsdat in 1870, sent the first news of

has received an immerse accession in the candidature of Gen. Montaulban for a seat in the Chamber of Deputies. His appearance as a candidate in the department of the Somme conjoined with Gen Boulanger, opens fuvorably for the Bou langists a most momentous campaign. The ministers feel the danger acutely, and to-day they held a council at the Elyses to consider how they will face the

LONDON, Dec. 25 .- Two more games in the checker contest between Messrs, Barker and Smith were played to-day, The first game resulted in a draw; the second one was won by Mr. Barker. Of the four games thus far played three have been draws.

London, Dec. 25.—Before withdrawing entirely from Suakim the British will

build strong permanent forts on which Canton, O., Dec. 25.—Last night fire